



By the Lord Deputie and Councell.

C A Proclamation for the banishing of idle and wandring perfons.

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Whereas the extraordinary resort of people of the meaner sort of the Kingdome of Scotland into this Kingdome, much more abounding here of late then in former times, cannot but in the end prove very inconuenient to both Kingdomes, as well by leaving those parts of the countrey naked where such persons formerly inhabited, as by pestering and disturbing the Northern plantations of this Kingdome, and the government there established, and is like daily to increase more & more if it should runne on without restraint: Whereof the late Kings most excellent Maiestie of happie memorie, taking notice and foreseeing the inconueniences that may ensue thereof, did giue order and commaund to Us the Lord Deputie and Councell of this Kingdome, to take some present course for the redresse thereof, whereupon by a former Proclamation (of the one and twentieth of September 1622. Wee tooke such order therein as Wee then thought conuenient, and finding that sundry mischiefs are like to arise by the contempt of the same, Wee held it necessarie to take some further order herein: Wherefore these are in his Maiesties name, straightly to prohibit, and forbid all, and all maner of idle and wandring person and per-

sons whatsoever of the Scottis Nation, and all other of the said nation hauing no lawfull or warrantable occasion of businesse, as Marchants, Marchants-factors, Nauigatores, or otherwise, and being vnder the degree of knowne landed Gentlemen, at any time hereafter to come or repaire into this Kingdome without a certificate from some of the Commissioners of the middle Shires of Scotland (sometimes the borders of England and Scotland) or of some one or more of his Maiesties priue Counsell, or two Iustices of the Peace, or of any other two, whereof the one to be a Justice of the Peace, and the other a Minister in the Realme of Scotland.

And that all and euerie the said or like person and persons of the Scottis Nation, which since the tenth day of Aprill last past haue contrarie to the Tenor of the said late Proclamation (being to the effect aforesaid) repayed and come into this Kingdome, shall within fortie dayes after the date of this Proclamation depart out of this Kingdome, vpon paine that euery person, and persons offending, contrarie to the Tenor hereof, shall be committed to the common Jaille of the countie, where he or they shall be found, there to remaine vntill they shall procure some certificate from the Commissioners aforesaid of their businesse or lawfull occasion of coming into this countie.

And Wee also straightly prohibit and forbid all, and euerie Owners, and Masters of Shippes, Barques, Voyes, Boates, and other vessels whatsoever, and all other persons at any time hereafter, to import, bring or land, into this Kingdome, any such idle or wandring person and persons prohibited as aforesaid, by this Proclamation to repaye or come into this Kingdome, vpon paine that euery of the said Owners, Masters, or other persons offending contrarie to the Tenor hereof, shall suffer imprisonment for the space of sixe dayes, and incurre also the penaltie of forfeiture of five pounds sterling for euery the said idle or wandring person so to be imported into this Kingdome contrary to the intent of this Proclamation, whereof the one halfe, to be to his Maiestie, and the other halfe to him or them that shall informe against any such Offendor or offendors, and vpon paine to suffer such imprisonment, and other penaltie as to the Lord Deputie, and Priue Counsell of this Kingdome shall be thought fit.

And Wee doe further will and require all Iustices of Peace, Sheriffes, Mayors, Bayliffes, and other head Officers of Cities and Townes within their seuerall limits, to apprehend or cause to be apprehended and committed to the common Jaille, all and singular persons, so wandring out of the said Kingdome of Scotland into this Kingdome as aforesaid, vntill they shall procure such certificate, as is before mentioned, or kinde good suerties which shall become bound in an obligation of tenne pound English money to his Maiesties vse to some of the said Iustices of the Peace, Mayors, Sheriffes, Bayliffes or other head Officers, to depart out of this Realme, within fortie dayes after the making of such obligation, and Wee further will, and require that the said obligations be returned, and sent into the Office of the Clerke of the Council, within three Monethes after the taking of the same.

And whereas diuers and sundry persons, hauing committed notorious and capitall crimes, doe usually flee out of England and Scotland into this Kingdome, thereby to escape the hand of Justice, These are therefore in his Maiesties name to charge commaund and authorize all Iustices of Peace, Sheriffes, Mayors, Bayliffes, and other his Maiesties Officers and Ministers to whom it may appertaine, that vpon notice or certificate giuen vnto them vnder the hands of any two Iustices of the Peace, or Commissioners of the Kingdomes of England or Scotland, that any such fugitiue person is fled out of eyther of the said Kingdomes into this, That then they, & euerie of them doe their vttermost endeavour, to cause such fugitiue person and persons, to be apprehended and sent backe againe into England or Scotland respectively, vnto the said Iustices or Commissioners, or some one of them from whom the said certificates issued, to be further dealt withall & proceeded against, as to Justice shall appertayne, And herein not to faile, as they tender their duetie to his Maiestie, and will answer the contrary at their perill. Given at his Maiesties Castle of Dublin the 22. day of August 1625. In the yeare of the raigne of our Soueraigne Lord, King Charles of England, Scotland, France, and Ireland, the first.

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God saue the King.

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